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Lyndhurst Artist Shows “Majestic Solitude” of Meadowlands at Flyway Gallery

LYNDHURST, N.J. – The Flyway Gallery of the Meadowlands Environment Center will be home to “Seen through My Eyes,” an exhibit of nature paintings by local artist Chris Kappmeier, from July 6 through 31.

Kappmeier, a Lyndhurst resident, uses a variety of mediums that include watercolors, pastels, oil paints and crayons to depict what he calls the “majestic solitude” of nature.

Each of his paintings, including scenes from the Meadowlands and Riverside County Park, are produced in the open air, providing the artist a full sensory connection to his subject.

“Painters and photographers who immerse themselves in the sights, sounds and experience of the Meadowlands are a constant reminder of how much the region has to offer the artistic community,” said NJMC Commissioner James A. Anzevino. “We are proud to see yet another instance of the Meadowlands as a fount of inspiration.”

The artist will hold a reception on at the exhibit’s premiere July 8, from noon to 2 p.m. The event is open to the public.

Kappmeier is a Fine Art graduate of the Newark School of Fine and Industrial Art. He has traveled the world painting whatever inspired him, from the countryside of Italy to the storefronts of Ridge Road in Lyndhurst. His works have been on display for nearly twenty years at numerous locations in New Jersey and New York, including the Hoboken Historical Museum, Leena Digangi Gallery, Art Center of Northern New Jersey and Agora Gallery.

The Meadowlands Environment Center is a New Jersey Meadowlands Commission facility operated by Ramapo College of New Jersey. The MEC is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. For more information, call (201) 460-8300 or log on to www.njmeadowlands.gov/ec.

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